

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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-positioning means associated with said containers to position foam models into said containers and that are capable of sustaining said models both while the sand is being fed into the containers by said feeding means and while the containers containing said models are being vibrated by said vibration means;

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wherein said positioning means include first model gripping means connected to said positioning means for gripping said models and second container gripping means connected to said positioning means for gripping said containers, so that, with said first and second gripping means gripping, respectively, the models and the container, the models and the said container will be substantially connected to each other as a single piece, during the vibrational motion generated by said vibration means.